



July 17, 2017 Master Plan Amendments Update

- Rezoning neighborhoods to allow ill-defined “Culture-serving businesses and facilities”

This issue was one of the most strongly contested as speakers reiterated that nowhere in the Master Plan is the term “culture-serving businesses and facilities” defined, which creates opportunity for misuse. Still seeking stability and predictability in our zoning, preservationists asked that the amendment be tabled until clarity can be provided. VCPORA suggested Councilmember Ramsey hold a community meeting for District C constituents to provide more information as impacts would be largely felt in Residential Historic Core neighborhoods – the French Quarter, Marigny, Treme and Bywater. At this writing VCPORA is still working to confirm the meeting.

City Council hearing on the Master Plan Amendments is Thursday, July 27.

To review the Master Plan Amendments working document, please use the links, below – the first is the full text and proposed revisions and the second link is the Future Land Use Map.

<http://nolacitycouncil.com/docs/resources/masterplanamendments/Cal.%20No.%2031917%20-%20Attachment%20A.pdf>

<http://nolacitycouncil.com/docs/resources/masterplanamendments/Cal.%20No.%2031918%20-%20Attachment%20A.pdf>

Also, this is a helpful summary of all amendments - [Committee for a Better New Orleans' Guide to the Master Plan](#)